

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner's remarks and comments in the application of the cited prior art in the Official Action mailed June 9, 2004, have been considered, and it is appreciated that because of the various distinctions between the teaching of the primary reference of Lu et al., rather than continue to present arguments and evidence to such distinctions and differences, it is more effective to modify the claims to carve out the product and process taught by said patentees. In order to so modify the claims, new matter must be added to the application specification; so, a new (continuation-in-part) application is required. It is respectfully requested that the CIP application submitted herewith be considered a complete response to the outstanding rejections. It is further respectfully submitted that the claim limitations included in said CIP application effectively overcome the prior art rejections (under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103) based on the teaching of the patent Lu et al. and Abe et al. Upon removing the primary reference from consideration, it is respectfully submitted that any secondary references cannot stand alone.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the applicants' response, or for any reason, it is believed that personal communication with the undersigned Attorney for the Applicants, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

No additional fees, other than the filing fees required for the accompanying continuation-in-part application for which the instant application serves as the parent, are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this amendment and response. Should it be determined that

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additional fees are due and payable, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to the assignee's Deposit Account No. 23-1160.

Respectfully submitted,

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